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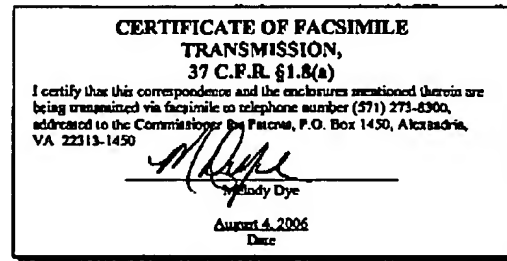
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This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated May 4, 2006. Kindly enter the
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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2
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